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SUBJECT: DRUG TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED TO DEATH

1. ON FEBRUARY 28 THREE DRUG TRAFFICKERS WERE SENTENCED TO DEATH UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE NARCOTIC DRUG LAW BY THE INSEIN TOWNSHIP COURT. THE THREE, AIK TUI, SAN KAU LI, AND MA NAN HLA, HAD BEEN ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECORD NARCOTICS SEIZURE IN TACHILEK IN AUGUST 1977. THE SUSPECTS HAD ALREADY BEEN TRIED AND CONVICTED FOR VARIOUS OTHER INFRINGEMENTS OF BURMESE LAW. IN THE SAME CASE, SUSPECT U NAN PANG WAS SENTENCED TO TEN YEARS OF RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT ON 25 FEBRUARY FOR VIOLATION OF THE DRUG LAW. THE COURT CONTINUED ACTION AGAINST TWO ADDITIONAL SUSPECTS WHO HAD AVOIDED ARREST AT THE TIME OF THE SEIZURE, CONDUCTED BY THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE BUREAU.

2. IN PASSING JUDGEMENT, THE COURT NOTED THAT DRUG TRAFFICKERS WERE CAUSING THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DESTRUCTION OF THE NATION'S YOUTH, THE WORKING PEOPLE OF THE NEXT GENERATION, AND THUS THE DEATH SENTENCE WAS WARRANTED AS A DETERRENT.  
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